The number of persons belonging to SC|ST|Women|Children are as under:—

Scheduled Castes	:	2,715
Scheduled Tribes	:	1,307
Backward Classes	:	3,114
Women	:	2,452
Children	:	164

(c) According to the Model Scheme, any citizen whose annual income from all sources does not exceed Rs. 6,000|- upto High Court and Rs. 9,000|- for Supreme Court cases, is entitled for free legal aid. This limitation as to income is, however, not applicable in case of persons belonging to Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes, Women, Children, Vimukta Jatis and nomadic tribes.

(d) and (e) There is a proposal to enhance the income limit to Rs. 9,000/- per annum of the case is before a court other than Supreme Court and less than Rs. 12,000|- of such other amount as may be prescribed by the Central Government if the case is before the Supreme Court.

(f) Question does not arise in view of reply to part (d) & (e) of the Question.

Practice by retired judges

1828. DR. NARREDDY THULASI REDDY:
SHRI MOHD. KHALEELUR REHMAN:

Will the Minister of LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the retired Chief Justice and Judges of various High Courts practicing in the Supreme Court of India;

((b) the details of the retired Chief Justices and Judges of High Courts working as Senior Advocates for various states;

(c) whether there is any proposal to ban retired Chief Justices and Judges of High Courts practicing in Supreme Court and being nominated in the panel of SeniorA dvocates;n

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if oot, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI H. R. BHARDWAJ): (a) and (b) Government have no information.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

(e) There is no constitutional bar on retired Chief Justices and Judges of High Courts from practicing in the Supreme Court.

Setting up of High Court Benches

1829. SHRI SHANTI TYAGI: Will the Minister of LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 1039 given in the Rajya Sabha on 20th July, 1992 and state:

(a) whether Government propose to set up High Court benchss in some states of the country; and

(b) if so, the name of such state and the location of the proposed benches?

THE MINISTER OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI K. VIJAY BHASKAR REDDY): (a) and (b) The Government of India have decided to set up Benches of Gauhati High Court in the Capitals of Meghalaya and Arunachal Pradesh, after necessary infrastructural facilities have been provided by the concerned State Governments.

Study of Companies Law Department

1830. SHRI SUSHILKUMAR SAMBHAJIRAO SHINDE: Will the Minister of LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of companies that come under (a) Joint Stock Public Limited Companies as on 31st March, 1992;

(b) the number of companies classified as above whose audited profit and loss accounts and the Balance Sheets have been received by Department of Company Affairs; and

(c) what action is contemplated in cases of failure of submission of such accounts?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI H. R. BHARDWAJ): (a) As on 31st March, 1992, a number of 2,50,397 Joint Stock Companies Limited by shares were at work comprising 29,614 Public Limited and 2,20,783 Private Limited Companies.

(b) The audited Balance Sheet and Profit and Loss accounts in respect of 1,39,211 Companies have been received by the Department. The Balance Sheets and profit and loss accounts of 41546 companies will become due in October-1992.

(c) Failure of submission of such accounts will attract prosecution of defaulting companies under the provisions of Section 220 of the Companies Act, 1956.

अखिल भारतीय न्यायिक सेवा का सृजन

1831. **श्री सत्य प्रकाश मालवीय** : क्या विधि न्याय और कंपनी कार्य मंत्री 3 सितम्बर, 1991 को राज्य सभा में अतारांकित प्रश्न संख्या 307 के दिए गए उत्तर को देखेंगे और यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) 13 नवम्बर, 1991 को उच्चतम न्यायालय द्वारा दिए गए निर्णय को ध्यान में रखते हुए क्या अखिल भारतीय न्यायिक सेवा बनाए जाने संबंधी प्रस्ताव पर विचार किया गया है ; और

(ख) इस संबंध में कब तक निर्णय लिए जाने की संभावना है ?

विधि, न्याय और कंपनी कार्य मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री हंसराज भारद्वाज) : (क) जी, हां ।

(ख) इस विषय पर सक्रिय रूप से विचार किया जा रहा है । किंतु यह बताना कठिन है कि इस विषय में कब तक अंतिम रूप से विनिश्चिय कर लिया जाएगा ।

Decisions taken by MRTP Commission

1832. SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR SAHU:

SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU:

SHRIMATI SATYA BAHIN:

Will the Minister of LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the gist of major decisions taken between 1981—90 by the MRTP Commission as result of which the Public was benefitted;

(b) whether it is a fact that in most of the cases companies were let off with a warning or with a cease and desist order;

(c) if so, what are the details of such cases detected during last three years, year-wise;

(d) what is the average expenditure on MRTP Commission incurred per annum;

(e) whether it is a fact that most of the provisions of the MRTP Act relating to restrictive, monopolistic and unfair trade practices are unrealistic and that profits and costs have not been defined in the Act; and

(f) if so, what action Government propose to take in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI H. R. BHARDWAJ): (a) to (c) Under the MRTP Act, the Commission is empowered to inquire into Monopolistic, Restrictive and Unfair Trade Practices as defined in section 2(i), 2(o) and 36A of the Act respectively. During the period from 1981 to 1990, the Commission in discharge of its functions has initiated and disposed of